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HUMAN T CELL RESPONSE INDUCING COMPOSITIONS

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

This Communication is supplemental to applicants' Amendment filed April 7, 1994 in the above-identified application in response to the then-outstanding Office Action of October 4, 1995.

In this response filed by applicants it is called to the Examiners attention that on page 6, top or first line, mention is made of:

"a 3 mer peptide."

This is a typographical error and should correctly read:

--an 8-mer --.

Further, it is pointed out that an additional typographical error appears on page 11, third line from the bottom, which reads:

"seven are not applicable to applicants' claimed invention one"

This line should correctly read:

--seven are not applicable to applicants' claimed invention.

One--

The typographical error is the omission of the period sign (.) after "invention". Applicants' attorney regrets the typographical errors appearing in applicants' Amendment.

Applicants wish to take this opportunity to additionally add to applicants' arguments and points of distinction as to how applicants' claimed invention distinguishes over the disclosures of Schoolnik et al.

Referring now to applicants' response at page 10, last paragraph, the bottom or last five lines thereof should more accurately correctly read:

--Therefore, this peptide will <u>not</u> bind to this HLA molecule. Schoolnik's peptide No. 5 does contain an anchor residue for HLA-A 0301 at the C-terminal end, namely, an R. However, there is no anchor for that HLA molecule present on position 2. Therefore, this peptide will <u>not</u> bind to HLA-A 0301.--

At that portion of applicants' argument, applicants' attorney

had misread applicants' instructions and argument with respect to the disclosures and teachings of Schoolnik et al, as now corrected hereinabove. The Examiner can now more readily and correctly see how the Schoolnik et al peptide and disclosure differs from applicants' disclosure and teachings.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner carefully consider applicants' arguments in the light of this indicated correction for a better understanding and appreciation of how applicants' invention patentably distinguishes over the references cited and the prior art.

Respectfully submitted,

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service in first class mail addressed to Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

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